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Docket No. 14000.11

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Hugh S. West, Jr., M.D.	)	
Serial No.	09/977,154	)
Confirmation No.	3848	)
Filed:	October 12, 2001	)
For:	IMPROVED INTERFERENCE SCREW HAVING INCREASED UPPER DIAMETER	)
Examiner:	Anu Ramana	)

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1 <sup>st</sup> PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			+140=		+280=	
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